Merchants-Laclede National Bank OF ST. LOUIS.

Condensed Statement of Condition at Close of Business, April 30, 1902.

DEns Payable on Demand..... er Bonds, Stocks, etc ...

\$14,351,651.19 LIABILITIES: .\$ 1,400,000.00 plus and Undivided Profits 684,975.90 20lation 50,000.00 United States Bond Account sits, Individual \$5,515,715.27

> Banks and Bankers 4,771,740.21— 12,110,675.2) \$14,351,651.19

r.Louis Union Trust N.W. COR. 4TH & LOCUST STS. Capital. Surplus and Profits

United States 339,693.36—\$7,338,934.99

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS

3% INTEREST ON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS ≥2% INTEREST ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS SAENTHEP

GENERAL TRUST AND SAFE DEPOSIT BUSINESS TRANSACTED.

E FOURTH NATIONAL BANK

S. E. Cor. Fourth and Olive Streets, St. Louis, Mo.

SURPLUS, \$1,000,000.00. H. A. FORMAN, Pres. EDWARD A. FAUST, Vice Pres. DAVID SOMMERS, 2d Vice Pres. G. A. W. AUGST, Cashier. VAN L. RUNYAN, Ass't Cashier. Accounts Solicited on Favorable Terms.
HIGHEST INTEREST PAID ON TIME DEPOSITS.

Letters of Credit Available in All Parts of the World. Foreign Exchange Bought and Sold SOLE AGENTS FOR THE NORTH GERMAN LLOYD S. S. LINE.

Conlers Have a New Burden

STOCKS AND BONDS IN BOSTON.

Atchison 77% Do. pfd. 118%

Do. 1/d. 96% A. Tel. & Tel. 117%

Boston & Albany 200 Gen. Rieduric. 215

Boston & Maine. 196

Boston & Elev. 194

N. Y. N. H. & H.20 Do. pfd. 188 S. 14

Linton Pacific 103% U.S. Steel 42%

Mex. Central 27% Do. pfd. 36%

American Sugar 127 Westingh. com. 188

Mining Shares.

Government Bonds.

Government Bonds.

New York, May 12.—Government bonds:
United States refunding is, registered. 109%
United States refunding is, coupon. 109%
United States is, registered. 100%
United States is, coupon. 108%
United States as, coupon. 108%
United States new 4s, registered. 117%
United States new 4s, coupon. 137%
United States old 4s, registered. 111%
United States old 4s, registered. 111%
United States 5s, registered. 105%
United States 5s, coupon. 105%

FINANCIAL

OFFICIAL STATEMENT of the Finan-tial Condition of the Germania Trast Company, at St. Louis, State of Missouri, at the Close of Business on the 30th Day of April, 1802:

break. The total sales of stocks for the day which were not much in excess of half a million shares, showed that the liquidation was not large or indiscriminate. The stocks, which suffered most seriously also indicate that the high grade of the property was not an exception. It is recognized that high-grade stocks have been lifted to prices unwarranted by conditions and apparently the bankers made a systematic revision and discrimination in collateral today. The consequence was the melting away of some recent unexplained advances in some of the most substantial stocks on the list.

Coalers Have a New Burden. Coalers Have a New Burden.

The coalers had the additional burden of the strike to carry. Union Pacific and Southern Railway were conspicuous for comparative firmness during the whole day. The market closed steady at some recovery. Among the day's notable declines may be mentloned General Electric. 11, with a recovery of 18; Westinghous Electric. 11, the first preferred. 9½; North American, 6; Delaware. 13; Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha. 10½; New York, New Haven and Hartford, 8; Chicago and Northwestern, 6½; Delaware and Hudson, 4½; Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville, 5½; New Jersey Central. 4; Long Island, 4½. The list of declines running from 1 to 3 is too long for enumeration here. Money went to 10 per cent to-day and receded to 8 only after the principal demand was satisfied. Bonds were weak in sympathy with stocks. Total sales, par value, 32,240,000. United States new and old 4s and the 5s declined ½ per cent on the last call. narket value re and fixtures on other banks, good on sight 236,949.55 12,173.58 Surplus fund paid in
Undivided prouts less current expenses
and taxes paid
Deposits subject to draft at sight by
banks and bankers
Deposits subject to draft at sight by
individuals and others
Demand certificates of deposit outstanding
Time certificates of deposit outstanding 3.317.15 707,338.77 62,204.76

.... \$2,462,375,68

ment is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

GEORGE A. MEYER, Vice President.

Fred Gabel, Secretary.

We, E. E. Magili, Paul Robyn, A. W. Lambert, directors of the Germania Trust Company, do solemnly swear that we have made a thorough personal examination of the books, papers, property and affairs of said corporation, and that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

E. E. Magill.

PAUL ROBYN.

A. W. LAMBERT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this eighth day of May, nineteen hundred and two.

Lieal.) Witness by hand and notarial seal, the date last aforesaid. (Commissioned qualified for a term expiring March size.

JNO. H. CRABTREE, Notary Public,

PUZZLING MONEY MARKET DEPRESSES WALL STREET.

STRIKE OF COAL MINERS IS ALSO AN INFLUENCE.

Report of the Banks Receives No New Light-High-Grade Stocks Are Affected.

New York, May 12.—The position of the lo-cal money market was undoubtedly the source of the depression which ruled in the stock market to-day. This was re-enforced stock market to-day. This was re-enforced by the anthracite labor situation, as shown by the suspension of work to-day in the anthracite region, and by fears of a very unfavorable report on the condition of the crops on May 1, to be made by the Agri-cultural Department. The statement of the condition of banks on Saturday sufficiently account that some recuperative process would be used this week. The heavy de-cline of over \$6,000,000 in the cash reserves would be used this week. The heavy de-cline of over \$6,000,000 in the cash reserves of the banks had little light thrown upon it to-day, and was a good deal of a puzzle even to bankers. It was argued that the trust companies might be taking steps to build up their cash reserve, in accordance with the intimation from the clearing-house authorities and of current public discussion and eritioism of the present financial situa-tion. The only additional light on the sub-ject was that a heavy shipment of cash was made to Philadelphia last week in further-ance of the transfer of the Choctaw, Okia-homa and Gulf, and which did not figure in the routine transactions of the stock market was most clearly manifest in the sterling exchange market, in which there was a violent decline of \$\frac{1}{2}\text{ in the pound.}

Large Offerings of Bankers' Bills. ing the first hour, thus helping out the sup-ply of exchange.

The statement of the country's foreign trade for April, showing a decline in agri-cultural products exported of over \$15,000,000, goes to explain the prevailing scarcity of exchange and the persistent firmness of

MERCANTILE TRUST COMPA

8th and Locust 8ts. FEBTUS J. WADE, President.
CORWIN H. SPENCER, Vice President.
LORENZO E. ANDERSON, Vice President

JONATHAN RICE, Vice President, C. H. McMILLAN, Secretary. ent. J. B. MOBERLY, Asst. Secretary.

-DIRECTORS-

LORENZO E. ANDERSON, Vice President.

GEORGE WARREN BROWN. President The Brown Shoe Co.

Pres. St. Louis Safe Deposit and Sav. Bank

JAMES G. BUTLER,

GEORGE W. WILSON, Treasurer.
WILLIAM MAPPITT, Assistant Treasurer.
JOHN H. KRUSE, Assistant Treasurer.

FACOB KLEIN, Coupsel. VIRGIL M. HARRIS, Trust Officer.

Trust Department.

This company is empowered by

its charter to accept and execute

any and all trusts not inconsistent

The Trust Company is the logical

successor to the individual trustee

in the management of estates and

trust affairs because it possesses

Trust funds and trust invest-

ments are kept separate and apart

This department will be pleased

to consult with persons or corpora-

tions contemplating the creation of

trusts, in order that its terms may

be explained and that it may indi-

cate the best manner of accom-

from the assets of the company.

with the laws of this State.

every quality of desirability.

Financial Department.

INTEREST PAID

As Foilows:

2% on Accounts Subject to Check.

3% on Time Certificates. 3% on Savings Accounts.

Drafts on all parts of the world

Upon application representative will call and explain the new Home Savings Bank.

Special attention is paid to the accommodation of ladies.

A feature of the new building in process of construction will be the Safe Deposit Vaults, in which will be introduced many new ideas for the comfort of patrons and the security of their property.

SAVINGS DEPART MENT open every Monday Evening until 8:00.

| | - |
|---|-----|
| Electric Boat preferred 45 | 53 |
| Electric Vehicle com | 77 |
| Electric Vehicle pfd. 124 Electro-Pneumatic 14 | 13 |
| Electro-Pneumatic | 11 |
| Enameting com 29% | 31 |
| Enameling pfd 85 | 87 |
| General Carriage 3% | - 4 |
| German Treasury 40 | 102 |
| Green Consolidated Copper | 26 |
| Havana Commercial com 9 | 11 |
| Havana Commercial pfd 45 | 50 |
| Illinois Transportation % | 1 |
| New Amsterdam Gas 1st 5s, J. & J., | |
| 1948 | 113 |
| N. Y. Electric Vehicle Trans | 14 |
| N. E. Electric Vehicle Trans 1 | |
| Otis Elevator com | 34 |
| Otia Elevator ofd 100 | 100 |
| Otis Elevator pfd | 107 |
| Seaboard Air Line com | 27 |
| Seaboard Air Line pfd 46 | 47 |
| Standard Oil of N. J | 640 |
| Storage Power 5 | 5 |
| Telegraph, Telephone and Cable 6 | 6 |
| Tennessee Copper | 12 |
| St. Louis Transit Co. com | 211 |
| United St. Rv. of St. Louis ofd. 841. | 84 |
| United St. Ry of St. Louis 4s. 814 | 881 |
| Union Copper 4% | 4 |
| U. S. of Mexico 541005 | 101 |
| Vir. Iron, Coal & Coke 1814 | 115 |
| Vir. Iron, Coal & Coke 5s | 25 |
| White Knob Copper 22% | 73 |
| Northern Securities Co 100 | 101 |

BOND SALES IN NEW YORK.

| here to-day as follow | Sales of bonds were ma rs: rst Call. |
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| 4,000 Ann Arbor | 1 7,000 N Y Gas & |
| 26,000 Atch gen 4s.1 | 994 Elec 48 9 |
| 66.000 IS & O prior | 08% 1,000 N & W con |
| 66,000 B & O prior | 96% 4,000 N P gen 36. 78 |
| 15,000 Do. South- | 1,000 Penn Co 31/25 series B 97 |
| 4,000 Do gold 4s | 1,000 P & E 1st |
| 6,000 Brooklyn un | 10,000 Do inc 48 7 |
| 5,000 Cent Ga con | |
| 59 | 17,000 St L & I M |
| 15,000 Do 1st inc ! | 5% gen 5s.116% @117 |
| 21,000 C & O gen | 2,000 S A & A P |
| 11,000 C & O gen | |
| 1,000 C & A 35. | |
| 1 414 | @14 11,000 Sou Ry 1st |
| 4,000 C & Q 4s joint bonds. | |
| 2,000 Con Tob 48. | 53 600 Stand Twine |
| 651469 | incomes16@17 |
| 50,000 C E I con | 1,000 Tex & Pac 1st 5,s121 |
| 1,000 Erie 1st con | 12,000 Third Ave |
| 7812 | 8% con 4s.100% @101 |
| 15,000 Ft W D G | 14 13,000 U P 1st 4s 105%@100 |
| 1,000 G B & W | 258,000 U P con 48 |
| deb B | 106% @107 |
| 5,000 H V 1st 45s.1 | 11 5,000 Wab 1st 5s12 |
| 8,000 K C Ft S & | 106,000 Wab deb B. 76007 |
| 16,000 L & N ufd | 2,000 West Shore |
| 40 | 13 de |
| 5,000 Mex Cent 1st | 14 2,000 W 8 reg 4s.110 |
| 1,000 M K T 1st | 40 |
| 48 | 1 2,000 W L E 1st |
| 20,000 M P tr 5s16 | 07% con 4s 31 |

Second Call. ## Company Com \$\frac{1}{2}\text{.000 B & \text{ C S W}}\$

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100,000 C F I left

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Adventure 22' Parrot 36
Allouez 38' Quincy 125
Amaigamated 65'h
Bingham 38'h
Calumet & Hecla. 18'
Centennia 546g355
Centennia 18'
Dom. Coal 18' United States 20'h
Franklin 11
Lisle Royals 11'h
Mohawk 35'h
Mohawk 35'h
Old Dominion 19
Osceola 62
United Copper 33'h
Calumet & United Copper 33'h
United Copper 33'h Mining Stocks in New York. New York, May 12.—Following are the quota-ons on mining stocks:

PAUL BROWN.
Resident Director Continental Tobacco Co.

JAMES CAMPBELL, Banker. Banker.

GUSTAV CRAMER.

President G. Cramer Dry Plute Co.
L. D. DOZIER.

Manager Dorkr Bakery. C. F. GAUSS.

President Gauss-Langenberg Hat Co. HENRY GRIESEDIECK, JR., President National Brewery Co. cancles for rent or lease. EMERSON MoMILLIN, Banker, New York City.

C. H. McMILLAN, Becretary. WILLIAM MAFFITT, W. H. Markham & Co., Insurance plications solicited.

W. H. Markham & Co., Insurance.
PAN. C. NUGENT.
Vice-Pres. B. Nugent & Bro. Dry Goods Co.
VALLE RETBURN,
Attorney at Law.
JONATHAN RICE,
Vice-President Rice-Sits Dry Goods Co.
HARRY SCULLIN,
Pres. Scullin-Gallagher fron and Steel Co.
CORWIN H. SPENCER,
Capitalist.
JOSEPH SPIEGELHALTER,
Physician.
LOHN S. SULLIVAN.

JOHN S. SULLIVAN.
John S. Sullivan Saddle Tree Co.
FESTUS J. WADE,
President.

D. D. WALKER,
President Ely & Walker Dry Goods Co. GEORGE W. WILSON, Treasurer.

SECURITIES CLOSE STEADY DESPITE LIGHT TRADING.

Trust Company Issues Strong and Bank Stocks Generally Easier.

Trading in local securities was rather dull yesterday. Though there was no heavy run of buying orders there was sufficient support to prevent a slump and all issues closed

firm.

In the forenoon there was a good demand for tractions, with St. Louis Transit a favorite at \$31. United Rallways pfd. and the 4 per cent bonds were neglected.

Old Mercantule was rather easy at \$425. Germania was steady on the new basis at \$212.50 and Lincoln Trust was well taken at \$269.50 and \$270. St. Louis Union Trust was in good demand at \$325 and \$385. Missouri Trust opened well at \$125.50, but eased souri Trust opened well at \$125.50, but eased off to \$125.

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In the banking list Bank of Commerce at \$390 held its position will at the high point. Third National found eager supporters at \$25. Mechanics' National was firm at \$276 and Fourth National was easy at \$19.50.

At the afternoon session Transit sold off to \$30.87%. United Railways pfd. was firm at \$34.50, and the 4 per cent bonds closed higher at \$83.12%.

Trust company issues were practically unchanged. Third National opened at \$25. and sold at \$288. State National was in excellent demand at \$212.50. Boatmen's Bank eased off to \$222.50.

| Morning Beamton. | |
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| Closing quotations: | |
| Bid. | Aske |
| Se. Louis Transit 30.87% | \$ 31.00 |
| United Railways pfd 84.00 | 84.75 |
| United Rallways 48 88.00 | \$8.20 |
| American Central Trust 186.00 | 188.00 |
| Mercantile Trust (new) | 428,00 |
| Mercantile Trust (old) 425.00 | 426,00 |
| Germania Trust 212.60 | ***** |
| Lincoln Trust 289.50 | 270.00 |
| Title Guaranty 129.00 | ***** |
| St. Louis Union Trust 386.00 | ****** |
| Missouri Trust | 125.50 |
| Colonial Trust 230.50 | 224.50 |
| Mississippi Valley Trust 450.00 | 457,00 |
| Bank of Commerce 390.00 | ****** |
| Boatmen's Bank 223.00 | 234.00 |
| Third National Bank 286.00 | ***** |
| Mechanics' National Bank 276.50 | 111111 |
| State National Bank 212.00 | 214.00 |
| Fourth National Bank 319.00 | 220.00 |
| Century Building 6s 106.50 | 107.00 |
| Brewery \$1,000 6s 94.00 | 94.30 |
| Missouri-Edison, com 17.25 | 17.50 |
| Missouri-Edison 5s 93.00 | ****** |
| Hot Springs and Western 94.00 | 103.50 |
| Troy and Eastern 6s | K.00 |
| Chicago Rallway Equipment 55.00 | |
| | 256.00 |
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| | \$8.50 |
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27 Afternoon Session.

Afternoon Session. Closing quotationst

| St. Louis Transit 30.13 | - Wirot |
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| United Railways ofd 84.25 | ***** |
| United Railways in 88.00 | 88.12 |
| American Central Trust | 185.00 |
| Germania Trust 212.50 | 213.00 |
| Cermania Trust | 270.00 |
| Lincoln Trust 269.50 | 210.00 |
| Title Guaranty 128.75 | ***** |
| 5t. Louis Union Trust 384.50 | 407.05 |
| Minaritari Trust | 125.25 |
| Colonial Trust | |
| Mississippi Valley Trust 403.00 | 455.50 |
| Bank of Commerce | 390.00 |
| Boatmen's Bank 221 50 | 223.50 |
| Third National Bank 187 00 | 288.00 |
| State National Bank 212.50 | 215.00 |
| Butte National Dank | 320.00 |
| Fourth National Bank 318.00 | 107.00 |
| Century Building 6s (\$500) 106.50 | 101.00 |
| Granite-Bi-Metallic 2.55 | -11*11 |
| Kinloch Telephone 6s 108.50 | 109.00 |
| Sales: | |
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| 30 St. Louis Transit at | \$ 20.87 |
| 5 Do at | 31.00 |
| II United Railways pfd. at | 84.50 |
| TAMO To do at | 88.12 |
| 5,000 Do. 4s at | 201 10 |

1... 59... 2.00 2... \$15... 2.75
BULLS.

1... 1170... 3.75
Milkers and Springers—The supply of milkers and of springers was very small and of ordinary quality. Sales were steady.

Representative sales.

No. Av. Pr. No. Av. Pr. No. Av. Pr. 6... 435.00 1... \$31.00

1... 1130... 3.45

1... 1135... 3.45

2... 198... 2.15

SOUTHERN CATTLE—Quarantne cattle receipts were 99 cars containing 2.48 hear, against left cars and 3.550 on last Monday. Arrivals were from Arkaness. Texas, Louisiana and Indian Territory, and consisted mainly of steers of medium to good quality, aithough there was a very decent representation of cows, bulls, calves and mixed offerings.

There was a very good demand for the most desirable kinds and the movement was fairly active on all classes was sendy, one or two strong spots and a weak place or of the plainer, cheaper offerings showed much less life, but the general trade on all classes was sendy, one or two strong spots and a weak place or so being noted. Practically everything desirable went over the scales. Representative sales:

TEXAS AND INDIAN TERRITORY. Do. at State National Bank at Do. at

Real Estate Department.

This department advertises freely and maintains a large and well organized

force of salesmen COLLECTION OF RENTS.

The Collection of rents and the management of property receive most careful attention. Our facilities for successfully handling this business are unsurpassed; our methods modern and businesslike. Clients receive statement and cheque on the first day of each month. No charge for advertising va-

LOANS ON REAL ESTATE.

Our familiarity with values enables us to accept without delay any ap-proved loan. Lowest interest rates. Ap-

APPRAISEMENTS.

Expert appraisements of St. Louis cate the best manner of a property furnished. Valuation based on plishing the objects intended. 15 years' experience. Moderate fees. We Manage Estates of Non-Residents.

Pay Taxes and Attend to Insurance. Lease Property for Long or Short Terms.

Defing firm at the recent advances.

Representative sales:

HEIFERS.

No. Av. Pr. No. Av. Pr.

4 10 .55.00 7 577 34.59
3. 635 .359 1 640 4.59
1. 569 .355 1 640 4.59
2. 680 .335 1 440 .309
COWS.
2. 1800 5.00 1 .180 4.75
1. 1320 4.75 3 .1184 4.75
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1... 150... 2.50

2... 386... 2.90

Stockers and Feeders—Arrivals of stockers and Feeders were insufficient and tacking in value. Feeders were noted to make a market and There were not enough to make a market and as a consequence trade was very quiet, but such as were available were disposed of at reasonably as were available were disposed of at reasonably at the figures. The yards are practically bare of anything at all desirable. Good ones are quotable at firm prices.

Representative sales:

No. Av. Pr. No. Av. Pr. No. Av. Pr. 1. 610... 13.75

Builts and steers:

HEIFERS.

Cows:

1... 150... 2.30

HEIFERS.

1... 150... 2.50

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1 . 1350 . 5.00 2 . 1080 . 4.50 2 . 1085 . 4.65 4 . 1160 . 4.20 2 . 1185 . 4.40 3 . 960 . 4.10 2 . 1015 . 4.15 4 . 735 . 3.75

against a top of \$7.20 and the bulk at \$5.8007.05

Beefers Mainly Steady-Native Run Light-Hogs Close Lower.

NATIVE CATTLED Beef Steers-Receipts of cattle in the native division were small and about like a week ago in number, but beef steers were of better quality as a rule. The too was II, against 15,90 on last Monday.

Receipts at tive points were 25,900, against 25,500 on last Monday. While there was no apparent urgency about the filling of orders the demand was reasonably good and a fairly early clearance was effected on all classes at renerally steady prices, with some little variation in opinion, but not enough to cut material flaure.

Representative sales:

BEEF AND BUTCHER STEERS.

No. Av. Pr. No. Av. Pr. No. Av. Pr. 32. 1505. 15.09 de. 1155. 15.10 de. 15.00 de. 1155. 15.00 de. 1150. 15.00 de. 1150

signifies the bulk of sales and generally represents the various classes as they are sold on the commission market, more or less mixed.

By Telegraph.

Kansas City, Mo., May 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,700 natives, 11 Texans, 100 calves. Best steady; others slow to 10c lower. Choice export and dressed beef steers \$5.709.70; fair to good \$5.009 for stockers and feeders \$15.50; to good \$5.009 for stockers and feeders \$1.500 for stockers and feeders \$1.500 for stockers for stockers and feeders \$1.500 for stockers for

BULLISH STATISTICS BOOST GRAIN PRICES AT CHICAGO.

SHORTS COVER ACTIVELY, BUT OTHER TRADE QUIET.

Wheat Dull at Start, but Quickly Is Stimulated-Corn Strong All Day.

Chicago, May 12.-Active covering of short ecounts on very bullish statistics jumped prices upward in the grain pits to-day and elieved the otherwise monotonous quiet that usually prevails on the Board of Trade while speculators wait for the Government crop report. A continued absence of a selling pressure also heiped prices, and July wheat closed %c higher. July corn %c up and July oats %6%c higher. Provisions fluctuated erratically and closed a shade lower to 12%c higher.

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At the outset wheat trade was a duil though slightly firmer affair, pending the Government report of the crop condition and acreage May 1. Cables were firm and world's shipments and the on-passage decreases were builtish. Some buying was done for an hour and then conditions became such that buying set in in good fashion and the buils pushed prices up actively. Stocks of wheat were reported much decreased, the visible supply being decreased 3,225,600 bu. compared to 207,600 bu. last year. Exports were very heavy, the scaboard clearances in wheat and flour equaling 1,279,000 bu. This started shorts to covering freely, especially leading St. Louis houses. For the third consecutive day there was an absence of sell-sing pressure and prices advanced fairly. Contrary to the usual action awaiting the Government report, trade brightened and grew active. A report current in the pit that the forthcoming report would indicate a condition of 71.3, as against 78.7 on April 1, gained considerable credence. Added to these factors were discouraging reports of chinch bugs, insufficient rains, extensive plowing up of wheat fields in the Southwest. The local trade turned buillish and showed July to 76%c after opening a shade to %c up at 75%@75%c. Commission houses and hig traders who bought early liquidated at the high price and the tone cased off a little. The close, however, was still strong, July %c up at 75%@75%c. Local receipts were small at 12 cars; Minneapolis and Duluth reported 22 cars, making a total for the three points of 24 cars, as against 315 last week %c up at 75%@75%c. Local receipts were only 350,000 bu., compared to 616,600 bu. last year. World's shipments were 7.784,000 bu., as against 9.415,000 bu. last year. On-passage breadstuffs decreased 552,000 bu.

Corn.

Corn traders paid little atention to statistics, which if anything, were rather bearish, and bulled the pit all session. Buying by the big bull interst and short covering were the incentives. As for several days past, there was again noticeable selling pressure. The sentiment was bullish all around and was helped by firmer cables and the better tone in wheat. A notable number of buying orders for St. Louis early stampeded the local crowd, who soon turned to competing with that market for the very small offerings. There were some cool and dry weather advices, but otherwise news was largely of routine character. After the buying craze had pushed July corn from 61%c. to 62c, there was some later profit-taking, and the market lost part of its strength. July, however, closed firm, %c up at 62%c. Receipts were 35 cars.

Oats were inclined to duffness, although they made fair advances on the strength in corn and wheat. There was a fair demand from St. Louis and the English houses and marked reduction in stocks gave the market a builish aspect. Shippers were taking some stuff, and about the only selling was by scalpors. Chinch bugs were reported in the Central States. July opened unchanged at 37c, sold to 374 and closed firm, 1474 up, at 374604c. Receipts were 136 cars.

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Considerable profit-taking after prices had been manipulated to the highest level for the year took off much of the gain made in provisions to-day. Hogs receipts over the west were large and prices from 5 to loc lower. But in the face of this bearish argument, brokers for packers, pushed July pork up to \$17.69. Other products on the list advanced in sympathy and then a good deal of stuff was thrown overboard. Prices receded sharply but the tone still held firm. July pork closed 12% up at \$17.42%, July lard a shade down at \$10.22%@25c and July ribs unchanged at \$3.62%.

Estimated receipts to-morrow; Wheat, 50 ears; corn, 120; cats, 240; hogs 20,000 head.

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